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From: Nick Di Croce

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Subject: B160 Narratives

Kamyar and all,

Attached are the final versions of the narratives that our group committed to produce by May 30.

Included in the package are narratives on the following subjects:

Ecosystems Restoration
Water Transfers
Water Use Efficiency
Environmental Justice and Water

To review a few points:

We originally committed to produce a narrative on Pricing and Economics, but during the course of reviewing the DWR draft narrative on the same subject, we felt that all our points were being well covered and we would not need to duplicate your work.

Also during the last two months, Jack Sullivan and Michael Warburton volunteered to produce an additional narrative on EJ; that is included in the package.

We originally discussed with Kamyar the fact that some our narratives would probably not fit into the four to five page requirement of DWR's narratives, and that it would be up to DWR to use our information as they see fit. Two of our narratives did exceed the five page limit, but we decided that the content was rich enough to submit the expanded narratives. As indicated in today's workshop on Environmental Water, the reduced version of the DWR Ecosystems Restoration narrative leaves a lot of good points out, and we will need to resolve that with DWR over the next few weeks. We did agree to use the same section headings as their drafts, and have done that except for the EJ narrative which did not fit the outline headings so well.

Additionally, we have produced a document referred to as "Recommendations for Bulletin 160-2003." This document summarizes a set of overarching recommendations from our group for DWR, advocating the soft path for the state's future as differentiated from a continued reliance on building more surface storage and advocating a change in emphasis in DWR management directions and policies. We expect that these kinds of recommendations will become one of the main scenarios that DWR will analyze and document in the current Bulletin as well as in Phases 2 and 3.

It has been our pleasure to produce these work products and hope that they are helpful to DWR in the completion of Phase 1 of Bulletin 160.

On behalf of the group,

Nick Di Croce